IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

CHARLES HICKS (AIS# 246241),

Plaintiff,

V.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:07-CV-148-MEF

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, et al.

Defendants.

DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO EXTEND TIME TO FILE SPECIAL REPORT AND ANSWER

COMES NOW the Defendant, Prison Health Services (hereinafter "PHS") and respectfully requests that this Honorable Court extend the time period which this Defendant has to file its Answer and Special Report in this action by fourteen (14) days, up to and including April 16, 2007. As grounds for this Motion, Defendant shows to the Court as follows:

- A brief extension of time will in no way prejudice any party nor will it unduly 1. delay the adjudication of this matter.
- On or about March 13, 2007, counsel for the Defendant received a copy of the 2. this Court's Order requiring the Defendant to file a Special Report and Answer on or before April 2, 2007. The Defendant is in the process of assembling the appropriate records and doing the necessary investigation into this claim in order to properly address all issues within the confines of that Special Report and Answer.
- Counsel for the Defendant currently has a jury trial set for Monday, April 2, 2007, 3. and has been devoting a large part of his time preparing for this trial and has not had adequate

time to properly prepare a thorough Special Report and Answer. However, a brief extension of time will in no way prejudice any party nor will it unduly delay the adjudication of this matter.

WHEREFORE, all premises considered, this Defendant respectfully requests an extension within which to file its Special Report and Answer, said Special Report and Answer to be filed on or before April 16, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the above and foregoing has been served by U.S. Mail

this the 28th day of March, 2007, to:

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The Clerk of Court, using the CM/ECF system will send notification of this filing to the

following:

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